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Senate

The Senate met at 9:15 a.m., and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Gracious Father, we are dependent on You for everything. We could not breathe a breath, think a thought, move a muscle, work a day, or develop our lives without Your moment-by-moment provision. We place our finger on our pulse; thank You for the gift of life. We breathe in, saying "Bless the Lord, O my soul"; and breathe out saying, "And all that is within me bless His holy name."

We list all that is ours from Your loving provision. We praise You for food, our physical bodies, people in our lives, the opportunities and challenges of today. We want to make this a day for constant and consistent conversation with You in which we repeatedly say thank You, Lord, for the abundant mercies that You give us in a never-ending flow of goodness.

You know that a thankful heart is not just the greatest virtue, but You have made it the parent of all virtues and the source of the transformation of our attitudes. Every virtue devoid of thankfulness is maimed and limps along the spiritual road. With everything that is within us, we thank You. May this be a day for constant thanksgiving for the privilege of life. In Your holy name. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able majority leader is recognized.

SCHEDULE

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, there will be a period for morning business until 10 a.m., with Senator LEAHY to speak for up to 10 minutes, Senator GRAMM

for up to 20 minutes, and Senator GRAMS for up to 10 minutes.

Following morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of the terrorism prevention conference report. Under the order, motions to recommit are in order and limited to 30 minutes of debate each. Senators can expect rollcall votes on or in relation to those motions prior to a vote on adoption of the conference report.

Following adoption of the conference report, there will be 60 minutes of debate prior to the vote on cloture on the motion to proceed to the Whitewater resolution. It is still possible we might consider the immigration bill today if we can get an understanding about relevant amendments. It is very important legislation and broadly supported by the American people. We would like to complete action on that and then move to the Kassebaum-Kennedy health care measure yet this week and complete action on that. That may or may not be possible, but we will do our best.

IN TRIBUTE TO SECRETARY OF COMMERCE RONALD H. BROWN AND OTHER AMERICANS

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate resume consideration of Senate Resolution 241.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. KYL). Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 241) in tribute to Secretary of Commerce Ronald H. Brown and other Americans who lost their lives on April 3, 1996, while in service to their country on a mission to Bosnia.

The Senate resumed consideration of the resolution.

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, Chaplain Ogilvie said it best Monday in his prayer marking the Senate's return after a 2-week recess when he said: "Our hearts are still at half-mast."

Like all Senators, I was saddened by the tragic April 3 airplane accident that led to the loss of Secretary of Commerce Ron Brown and 32 other Government and business leaders.

I was not privileged to know Secretary Brown as well as many of my colleagues, but in my dealings with him, I was impressed by his professionalism, his wit, and his ability to get things done.

The outpouring of emotion that followed his death is testimony to the fact that not only was Secretary Brown an outstanding public servant, he was also an outstanding friend who touched many lives through his generosity.

The 32 other Americans lost in the accident were also friends, parents, sons, daughters, brothers, and sisters.

And I know I speak for all the Senate in saying that our thoughts and prayers remain with the Brown family, and with the families and friends of all the victims of this tragedy.

Mr. President, on Monday, at the request of the Democrat leader and myself, Senate Resolution 241, honoring Secretary Brown and the 32 other Americans who died in the accident, was read for the information of the Senate.

I want to thank Senator LOTT for his cooperation.

At this time, Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Senate Resolution 241 and the preamble be agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 241) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, is as follows:

S. RES. 241

Whereas, Ronald H. Brown served the United States of America with patriotism and

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